BEFORE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

CASE NO. 89-304-A

# RULING ON MOTION TO DISMISS

This matter comes before this Board on a Motion to Dismiss filed by the law firm of Romadka, Gontrum & Hennegan representing the Appellee in this

In the Motion to Dismiss, the question was raised as to the timeliness of the appeal request. Appellant was notified by the Zoning Commissioner that the postmark on the letter would constitute the appeal date. By letter from Mr. Haines incorporated into the file, it is his statement that this information was erroneously given to the Appellant, but that since the information came from his office he would accept the postmark date as to the 30 days required for the appeal. Since this has transpired, the Board is of the opinion that at this stage to declare the appeal untimely would be an arbitrary decision tv us and will therefore affirm the Zoning Commissioner's acceptance of the

The other issue arising in the Motion to Dismiss is the fact that James Coleman signed the letter dated April 17, 1989 indicating the intention to appeal the decision. While Mr. Coleman, the son of Mrs. Scharmer, signed the letter, the letter clearly indicates that the appeal is to be taken by Mrs. Gertrude Scharmer. Mrs. Scharmer is the abutting property owner and therefore is a legitimate aggrieved party. Had Mrs. Scharmer signed the letter requesting an appeal, the legitimacy of the appeal would be unquestioned. The

within Baltimore County. Therefore, the issue is not properly before the Zoning Commissioner and will not be resolved by this decision.

The issue before the Zoning Commissioner, in this matter, is one concerning the requirements set forth in Section 307.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.

Section 307.1, Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) states that the Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner and or Deputy Zoning Commissioner shall have the power to create variances from an area regulation where strict compliance with the zoning regulations for Baltimore County would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship.

In reviewing the Petition, it must be kept in mind that "{t}he standard for granting a variance. . . is . . . whether strict compliance with the regulations would result in 'practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship'; and that it should be granted only if in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the Zoning regulations; and only in such manner as to grant relief without substantial injury to the public health, safety and general welfare." McLean v. Soley.

The question, therefore, is whether it was fairly debatable that the evidence shows strict compliance with the regulations would result in practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship.

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

> 1) whether strict compliance with requirement would inreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;

Lenco Development Co., Inc.

relief; and

appeal letter, however, is not signed by Mrs. Scharmer but is signed by Mr. Coleman, who, by his own testimony, resides in Carroll County and is therefore not a legitimately aggrieved party. Rule 6(c) clearly states that Mr. Coleman cannot otherwise act in a representative capacity. By signing the letter in his own name rather than having Mrs. Scharmer sign the letter, Mr. Coleman is acting in a representative capacity which is specifically prohibited under Rule 6(c). The Board therefore has no choice but to grant the Motion and dismiss the appeal as being improperly taken.

RULING It is therefore this 12th day of July , 1989 by the County

Board of Appeals of Baltimore County CRDERED that the Motion to Dismiss be and the same is GRANTED. Any appeal from this decision must be made in accordance

with Rules B-1 through B-13 of the Maryland Rules of Procedure. COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

> 2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial

> 3) whether relief can be granted in such fash-

observed and public safety and welfare secured.

It is clear from the testimony that if the variance is granted, such

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it

is clear that a practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship would result

requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief would unduly restrict

the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particu-

lar parcel. In addition, the variances requested will not be detrimental

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public

hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore

County this 16 day of March. 1989 that the Petition for Zoning

lieu of the required 35 feet on Lots 1 and 5 of Block "A" and on Lot 13 of

Block "B", as more particularly described on Petitioner's Exhibit 1 be and

Variance from Section 1B01.2.C.2.a for a side yard setback of 8 feet in

if the variances were not granted. It has been established that the

use as proposed would not be contray to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and

would not result in substantial detriment to the public good.

to the public health, safety and general welfare.

requested should be granted.

is hereby GRANTED.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28

ion that the spirit of the ordinance will be

PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE

N/E sides Hilmer Avenue 380'E Mace Ave., Lots 1,5,13 Hilmer Ave. (Silver Spring Terrace) 15th Election District 5th Councilmanic District

\* Case No. 89-304-A Lenca Development Co., Inc. Petitioner

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\* ZONING COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioner herein requests a variance from Section 1801.2.C.2.a. for a side yard setback of 8 feet in lieu of the required 35 feet on Lots 1 and 5 of Block"A" and on Lot 13 of Block "B" as more particularly described on Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

The Petitioner, Michael Zullo, appeared and testified and was represented by John B. Gontrum, Esquire. The Petitioner was supported in his testimony by Mr. William F. Bafitis, a professional engineer. There were Protestants who appeared and testified, namely, Mr. Wellington H. Welch, Mrs. Lillian Welch, Ms. Janet M. Welch and Mr. Joseph Scharmer.

The Petitioner is seeking to develop and infill a piece of property off of Mace Avenue in the Essex section of Baltimore County. The property is zoned D.R. 5.5 and is currently undeveloped containing a stand of large trees with very thick underbrush. The property is immediately to the rear of several already existing dwellings and is accessed over a road known as Hilmer Avenue.

The Protestants do not accept that Hilmer Avenue is a public road. The Protestants' issues concerning Hilmer Avenue will be explained and dealt with more clearly below. I have personally visited the site and it is undeveloped and covered with trees.

The Detationer's expert witness and the Detitioner, birinif, both testified as to the hardships and practical difficulties concerning the construction of a reasonably sized dwelling unit upon lots 1 and 5 of

Block A and lot 13 of Block B. More specifically, these lots would be narrow and in light of the 35 foot tract boundary requirement the bounca would be less than 26 feet in width. This would create a very restrictive condition on all three of the subject lots. Furthermore, the narrow size and shape of home would be inconsistent with homes proposed to be developed upon the other lots and would create a situation whereby the subject lots would not be consistent with the general character of the community to be developed.

The Protestants primary objections to the development concern the wetlands that they believe exist on lot 1 of Block A of the Petitioner's project and their lack of acceptance of the existence of Hilmer Avenue as a public street for ingress and egress to the subject land. The Protes-| tants believe and are arguing in other cases, specifically, before the Baltimore County Board of Appeals, that the existence of Hilmer Avenue as a public street is incorrect and, therefore, the Petitioner has no development right to this property.

This issue is not before the Zoning Commissioner because it is not within the jurisdiction of a Petition for Variance. The issue must be resolved by the appropriate authorities, either the Baltimore County Board of Appeals or the Circuit Court for Baltimore County.

> The issue concerning the alleged wetlands on lot 1 of Block A is being addressed by the Baltimore County Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management. They have proper jurisdiction over wetlands

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353

J. Robert Haines



John B. Gontrum, Esquire 809 Eastern Boulevard Essex, Maryland 21221

> RE: Petition for Zoning Variance Case #89-304-A Lenco Development Co., Inc. Petitioner

Dear Mr. Gontrum:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered on the above captioned case. The Petition for Zoning Variance has been granted, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order to the County Board of Appeals. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our Appeals Clerk at 494-3391.

Zoning Commissioner

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cc: People's Counsel

Dennis F. Rasmussen

Baltimore County Board of Appeals County Office Building, Room 315 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Petition for Zoning Variance N/E sides Hilmer Avenue, 380' E Mace Avenue, Lots 1, 5, 13 Hilmer Aveneue (Silver Spring Terrace) 15th Election District, 5th Councilmanic District LENCO DEVELOPMENT CO., INC. - Petitioner Case No. 89-304-A

Dear Board:

Baltimore County

(301) 887-3353

J. Robert Haines

Zoning Commissioner

Office of Planning & Zoning

Towson, Maryland 21204

Please be advised that the correct deadline date for filing an appeal in this matter would have been on or about April 17, 1989. However, it has been brought to my attention that the Protestant, James H. Coleman was incorrectly quoted a deadline date as being the date the request envelope is post-marked by the Post Office. As the envelope in which the appeal request was enclosed was post-marked April 17, 1989, we accepted his appeal in error.

If you have any further questions on the subject, please do not hesitate to contact me.

> Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

April 26, 1989

Dennis F. Rasmussen County Executive

Case File 89-304-A

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

JRH/mmn cc: Peoples Counsel Mr. William Bafitis, P.E. Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Welch

Mr. Joseph Scharmer

IN RE: PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE N/E sides HIlmer Avenue 390'E Mace Ave., Lots 1,5,13 Hilmer Ave. (Silver Spring Terrace) 15th Election District 5th Councilmanic District

\* BEFORE THE \* ZONING COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY \* Case No. 89-304-A

Lenco Development Co., Inc.

REQUEST FOR RELONSTDERATION AND CLARIFICATION

Now comes Mr. and Mrs. Wer ington W. Welch, Petitioners herein, by counsel, Stuart Jay Robinson, and request this Board to reconsider and clarify its Decision and Order dated the 16th day of March 1989, and avers:

- 1. The Petitioners adopt and incorporate by reference all pleadings, conditions, exhibitis, reports, memoranda and other related material heretofore filed in CRG case number CRA-88-130 and Zoning case number 89-304-A in this matter.
- 2. That the CRB Board received a report from Melvin for the Estate of the Hilmer properties which is attached; said report indicates the access property off Mace Avenue as being privately owned.
- 3. That the Board failed to address the issues concerning the ingress/egress and the unique hardship it creates for the Welch and Cravetz properties.

4. That the Board needs to clairfy its Decision relating to the language concerning the 'dedication of the property to the County' as there are expressed reservations in the deed against such dedication.

5. That the unique status of the property, coupled with its location, creates special hardship for the Petitioners named herein should the planned access road and development be allowed as currently constituted.

6. It has been determined by the reports attached and through testionery at E'n CRG hearing that the access road is indeed a private road.

7. The best interest of justice would be served if the CRG Board and the Zoning Board would reconsider this Petition to determine the appropriate relief that would minimize the impact of the Petitioners quite enjoyment of their property.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioners respectfully pray the following relief: a. That the Decision in this case be reconsidered and the

development as planned by denied; or in the alternative:

b. That the CRG require the Developer to meet with the affected property owners of the unimproved private road in order to work out a plan of ingress and egress that would minimize and/or otherwise help to remove the tremendous hardship the property owners find themselves in if the plan is allowed to proceed without modification.

c. That the Developer be required to meet with the property owners of the access area off Mace Avenue in order to try to work a suitable arrangement with regard to the access road.

d. That the Developer be made to meet all County, State, and Federal Codes, Ordnances, and Regulations governing the property and access road.

e. For such other and further relief as the nature of this cause may require.

f. That a "STAY" be placed on any further action pending reconsideration.

Bel Air, Maryland 21014 301-879-5050

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the aforegoing Request For Reconsideration And Clarification was mailed, postage prepaid, to William Hackett, Chairman, County Board of Appeals, Room 315, County Office Building, Towson, Maryland 21204, Stanley J. Schapiro, Esquire, Deputy County Attorney, Baltimore County Council, 2nd F, Court House, Towson, Maryland 21204; John B. Gontrum, Esquire, 809 Eastern Boulevard, Essex, Maryland 21221; and J. Robert Haines, Zoning Commissioner, Office of Planning & Zoning, Towson, Maryland 21204, this 6 day of April, 1989.

IN RE: PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE

N/E sides Hilmer Avenue 380'E Mace Ave., Lots, 1,5,13 Hilmer Ave. (Silver Spring Terrace) 15th Election District 5th Councilmanic District

ZONING COMMISSIONER \* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No: 89-3-4=A Lenco Development Co., Inc.

# REQUEST FOR HEARING

Now comes Mr. and Mrs. Wellington W. Welch, Petitioners herein, by counsel, Stuart Jay Robinson, and request a hearing on the aforeoing Request For Reconsideration And Clarification.

> STUART JAY ROBINSON, ESQUIRE 24 E. Pennsylvania Avenue Bel Air, Maryland 21014 301-879-5050

J. MELVILLE TOWNSEN Attorney At Law SUITE 200 24 W. PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 (301) 825-7488

February 9, 1989

Stuart Jay Robinson, Esquire 24 East Pennsylvania Avenue Bel Air, Maryland 21014

> Re: Silver Spring Terrace Helmer Avenue 15th Election District, Baltimore County County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County Case No.: CBA-88-130

Dear Stuart:

In accordance with our telephone conversation of yesteryear, this is to advise that I have been contacted by William Neumann (the second), the son of Mrs. Helen Koehnlein, owners of the fee in the northern half of the bed of Hilmer Avenue, 30 feet wide, immediately adjoining Lots 20 and 21 as shown on a Plat entitled, "Subdivision of Land, surveyed and platted by J. Spence Howard," which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book C.H.K. No. 13 folio 17. As to this portion of the bed of Hilmer Avenue (the north half adjoining Lots 20 and 21), I am absolutely certain that the said Koehnlein and Neumanns are the owners of the fee subject to the private rights of other lot owners along Hilmer Avenue to use the same in common (and subject to the further administration of the Estate of William H. Neumann the first).

Argument may be raised that the said Neumann and Koehnlein are the owners of the fee in the southern half of Hilmer Avenue immediately adjoining Lot 1 as shown on said Plat as well as the northern half thereof immediately adjoining the lands now owned by the Twiggs, although it will take a Court to decide that, as will be explained herein.

AS TO THE NORTH HALF OF HILMER AVENUE ADJOINING LOTS 20 AND 21

The six acre tract out of which the subdivision was carved was originally acquired by William A. Hilmer and Helen E. Hilmer, his wife, by Deed dated June 14, 1914 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber W.P.C. No. 429 folio 418. William A. and wife subdivided the tract as shown on the Plat in November of 1919 but did not record the same until 1942. By Deed dated December 30, 1941 and recorded as

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aforesaid in Liber C.H.K. No. 1177 folio 56, the said William A. Hilmer and Barbara A. Hilmer conveyed the six acre tract (less Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5) to William H. Hilmer (the first) and Barbara H. Hilmer, his wife, as tenants by the entireties, the said Grantors reserving unto each of themselves a life estate with full powers of sale.

By Deed dated June 22, 1942 and recorded as aforesaid in Liber C.H.K. No. 1230 folio 5 %, the said William H. Hilmer (the first) and wife Barbara conveyed to J.V. Gurgick and Mary A. Gurgik, his wife, Lots 20 and 21 as shown on the Plat (simultaneously recording the Plat at that time in Plat Book C.H.K No. 13 folio 17, the Plat having no reservation of title and no denial of intent to offer to dedicate), subject to restrictive covenants with the following additional specific language:

". . . all reference to or mention of avenues, streets, roads, lanes, sidewalks, alleys or paths in this deed and on the plat hereinbefore referred to will be and are for the purposes of description only and not for the purpose of dedication and all right, title and interest in and to the same hereby expressly reserved in the grantors."

Mindful of the Act of 1892 (R.P. 2-114) relating to title to the beds of roads, there can be no question but that the Deed language reserved title in and to the bed of Hilmer Avenue in the Grantors and withheld any intent to offer the same for the purposes of public dedication. This attitude with reference to the denial of offer for public dedication of the bed of Hilmer Avenue is strengthened by reference to Paragraph 8 of the restrictions set forth in said Deed:

"(8) The vendors reserve unto themselves the use of all streets, roads, lanes and alleys shown on said Plat for gas, water and sewer pipes, electric light, telephone and telegraph poles and wires and for such other reasonable uses as the vendors may see fit or to close same absolutely except for the uses of the abutting owners thereon [emphasis supplied]."

William A. Hilmer and Helen E. Hilmer, his wife died and the fee in that portion of Hilmer Avenue became vested in William H. Hilmer and Barbara A. Hilmer, his wife, the remaindermen under C.H.K. No. 1177 folio 56.

William H. Hilmer survived his wife and died testate in 1986. I am advised that Mrs. Koehnlein and Mr. Neumann were his sole devisees which would place title to that portion of the bed of Hilmer Avenue in the at this date (subject to re-opening the Estate, etc.).

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AS TO THE SOUTH HALF OF HILMER AVENUE

William A. Hilmer (the first) and Helen, his wife, conveyed Lots 1, 2 and 3 to Jacob W. Weiss and wife by Deed dated April 19, 1944 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber R.J.S. No. 1343 folio 158, in fee simple, "subject however to the restrictions, covenants and agreements particularly set forth in a deed from the grantors to James J.V. Gurgick and Mary A. Gurgick his wife dated June 22, 1942 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber C.H.K. No. 1230 folio 552." While there was no specific reservation of title in the Deed to Weiss, reference was made to the restrictions, etc., in C.H.K. No. 1230 folio 552. I am not prepared to opine that this reference was made to C.H.K. No. 1230 folio 552 was sufficient to incorporate the reservation of title in the bed of the street but suggest that title to the same probably passed to the Grantee.

> AS TO THE NORTH HALF OF HILMER AVENUE AT MACE AVENUE

By Deed dated December 11, 1971 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber O.T.G. No. 5237 folio 670 William H. Hilmer and Barbara A., his wife conveyed the northeast corner of Mace and Hilmer to Wellington W. Welch and Lillian R. Welsh, his wife. This Deed which bounded on the north side of Hilmer Avenue was sufficient to carry title to the fee in the bed of the road to the Grantee.

By Deed dated June 8, 1953 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber G.L.B. No. 2305 folio 482, Helen E. Hilmer conveyed to John William Twigg and Marie Twigg, his wife, a lot of ground on the north side of Hilmer Avenue lying between the Welch lot and Lot 20 which was sufficient to vest the fee in the half of Hilmer Avenue adjoining said lot in the Grantees.

South ½ Hilmer Avenue adjoining Lot 1 North & Hilmer Avenue at Corner Mace Avenue

North & Hilmer Avenue between Welch & Lot 20

Lots 20 and 21

TITLE

Title PROBABLY passed by R.J.S. 1343 folio 158 to James J.V. Gurgick Title passed by O.T.G. 5237 folio 670 to Wellington W. Welch, et ux

Title PROBABLY passed by G.L.B. 2305 folio 482 to John William Twigg, et ux

North & Hilmer Avenue adjoining Title in William H. Neumann (2nd) and Helen Koehnlein (subject to proper Estate administration)

'Stuart Jay Robinson February 9, 1989

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South & Hilmer Avenue adjoining

Lots 6 through 19 North & Hilmer Avenue adjoining Lots 22 through 29

Title passed to George Albert Whig, Sr., et ux, by E.H.K., Jr. 5325 folio 279 Title passed to George Albert Whig, Sr., et ux, by E.H.K., Jr. 5742 folio 332.

JMT/rlt

James H. Coleman P.O. Box 315 Owings Mills, MD 21117

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ZONING OFFICE

April 17, 1989

Mr. J. Robert Haines County Zoning Commissioner County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

Re: Case No. 89-304-A Petition for Zoning Variance Silver Spring Terrace

Dear Mr. Haines,

My mother, Gertrude Scharmer, does hereby appeal the decision dated March 16, 1989 granting the setback variance requested by Lenco Development Co., Inc. Because of an illness she was not able to attend the original hearing held February 27, 1989.

Gertrude Scharmer has a vital interest in this variance request. She owns all adjoining property affected by the granting of the variance for lots 1 and 5 of Block A and lot 13 of Block B.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter that was mailed to your office dated March 8, 1989. While this letter was too late for the initial hearing it should suffice for the appeal.

Looking forward to a favorable reply.

Sincerely, James H. Coleman /301-363-0100 (work phone)

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CC: Gertrude Scharmer 619 Christian Ave. Baltimore, MD 21221

PETITON FOR ZONING VOLIANCE TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY:

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section 1 Bo1-2c2a for a sideyard of 8 feet in lieu of the required 35 feet on Lots 1 and 5 of Block "A" and on Lot 13 of

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty)

Configuration of lots in relation to wetlands and other properties and optional site planning creates need for a variance.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law For Baltimore County.

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

Contract Purchaser: Legal Owner(s): Lenco Development Co., Inc. (Type or Print Name) (Type or Print Name) By Signature Leonard M. Zullo, M.D (Type or Print Name)

City and State Attorney for Petitioner: John B. Gontrum 1665 Merritt Blvd. (Type of Print Name) 282-5330 Phone No.

Baltimore, MD 21222 ---- 809 -Eastern-Boulevard-----Name, address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted City and State

Maryland 21221

Name

Name

Attorney's Telephone No.: 686-8274 3231 Canterbury Lane 557-8843

Fallston, Maryland 21047 UNDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this \_\_\_\_\_ day Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore

March 8, 1989

Mr. James Robert Haines County Coning Commissioner County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Case No. 89-304-A Hearing 2/27/89 - 10:00 A.M. Room 106 Subject - Variances for 8 ft. setback on Lots #1 & 5 of Block A and Lot #13 of Block B, Silver Spring Terrace

Dear Mr. Haines:

I have been informed that at the above Zoning Hearing, Mr. Mike Zullo testified that I am in complete accord with Lenco Developement Co.'s proposal to allow the requested variances. He stated that I was pleased and receptive to variances. He stated that I was pleased and losspect. This these variances and to the entire development project. This is not the truth of the matter. I want to clarify my position.

I was approached by Mr. Zullo on this matter when he first proposed this project. At this time, I did not object, but after examining the Plat he submitted, and giving further consideration of all aspects of this proposal, I changed my position.

Mr. Zullo contacted me, and also my son, a few days prior to Mr. Zullo contacted me, and also my son, a rew days prior to the scheduled hearing. He asked my son if I would sign an approval for his requests. My son told him no, I would not. I was undecided about the entire project, but the more I thought about the impact of all this, the more convinced I became that this project would be undesirable, and I would not agree to these variances.

These lots, #1 & 5 of Block A, and lot #13 of Block B, border on, and are adjacent to, my property, and I feel a setback would detract from the value of my property and to the quality of my neighborhood. These variances would only serve to allow additional units to be erected which is not in the best interests of the neighborhood.

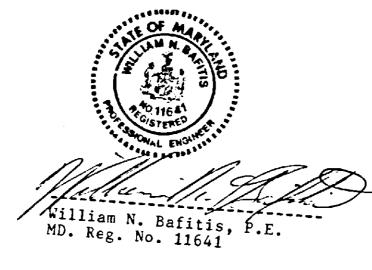
I hope you will consider our position when you are making your decision.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Gertrude-Scharmer Mrs. Gertrude Scharmer 619 Christian Avenue Paltimore, Md. 21221 (301) 682-2444

ZONING DESCRIPTION

Beginning on the south side of Hilmer Avenue, 30 feet wide, at a distance of 154.32 feet east of the southeast corner of Mace Avenue and said Hilmer Avenue. Being Lots 6 thru 19 and 22 thru 29, in the subdivision of Silver Spring Terrace Book No. C.H.K. 13, Folio 17.



Civil Engineers / Land Planners / Surveyors — 1249 Engleberth Road / Baltimore, Maryland 21221 / 301-391-2336

PETITION FOP ZONING VARIANCE N/E sides hammer Avenue 380'E

\* ZONING COMMISSIONER Mace Ave., Lots 1,5,13 Hilmer Ave. (Silver Spring Terrace) \* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY 15th Election District 5th Councilmanic District

\* Case No. 89-304-A Lenco Development Co., Inc. Petitioner

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* ORDER

BEFORE THE

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this 177 day of April, 1989 that the Request for Reconsideration and Clarification in zoning case #89-304-A be and is hereby denied.

> Zoning Commissioner Room 109 County Office Bldg. Towson, Maryland 21204

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I HEREBY CERTIFY on this // day of April, 1989 that a copy of the aforegoing ORDER was mailed, postage prepaid, to Stuart Jay Robinson, Esquire, 24 E. Pennsylvania Avenue, Bel Air, Md. 21014, attorney for the Petitioner; William Hackett, Chairman, County Board of Appeals, Room 315 County Office Building, Towson, Md. 21204; Stanley J. Schapiro, Esquire, Deputy County Attorney, Second floor, Court House, Towson, Maryland 21204; Baltimore County Council, Second floor, Court House, Towson, Maryland 21204 and John B. Gontrum, Esquire, 809 Eastern Boulevard, Essex, Maryland 21221.

Zoning Commissioner

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE : BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER N&S/S Hilmer Ave., 380° E Mace Ave., Lots 1, 5, & 13 Hilmer Rd.: (Silver Spring Terrace), 15th Election Dist.; 5th Councilmanic:

Case No. 89-304-A

LENCO DEVELOPMENT CO., INC., Petitioner

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ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notices should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

> Phyllis Cole Friedman Phyllis Cole Friedman People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Peter Max Zimmerman Deputy People's Counsel Room 304, County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 494-2188

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 31st day of January, 1989, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to John B. Gontrum, Esquire, 809 Eastern Blvd., Baltimore, MD 2:221, Attorney for Petitioner.

Peter Max Zimmerman

LAW OFFICES OF Stuart Jay Robinson

STUART JAY ROBINSON ALSO MEMBER OF DS BAR RESIDENCE (301) 836-1534

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April 5, 1959

Baltimore County Zoning Commission Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204

> Ro: Case #89-301-A Lenco Development Co., Inc. Wellington Welch

Dear Sir,

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Enclosed for consideration and appropriate action is a Request For Reconsideration And Clarification together with a Request For Hearing

If you care to discuss this matter with me, please feel free to contact me at my office.

A mutually convenient hearing date may be obtained by contacting my office, conference calling is available for this purpose.

Very truly yours, Stuart Jay Robinson

ZONING OFFICE

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 494-3353

J. Robert Haines

February 1, 1989

NOTICE OF REASSIGNMENT

Dennis F. Rasmussen

CASE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_89-304-A PETITIONER(S) Lenco Development Co., Inc. N & S Sides Hilmer Avenue, 380' E Mace Avenue

THE ABOVE MATTER, ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO BE HEARD ON Friday, February 3, 1989 \_, HAS BEEN REASSIGNED. THE NEW HEARING DATE IS \_\_\_\_\_Monday, February 27, 1989 at 9:00 a.m.

> J. ROBERT HAINES ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

COPIES TO:

Lenco Development Co., Inc. John B. Gontrum, Esq. Michael Zullo

Stuart Jay Robinson, Esq.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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J. ROBERT HAINE

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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LAW OFFICES OF Stuart Jay Robinson STUART JAY ROBINSON ALSO MEMBER OF D.C. BAR

BEL AIR 24 E. PENNSYLVANIA AVE. BEL AIR, MARYLAND 21014 (301) 979-5050 RESIDENCE: (301) 836-103#

ATTN: QUINN Baltimore County Zoning Office Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

ZONING OFFICE

RE: Zoning Matter Hearing Feb 3, 1989

Dear Miss Quinn,

My clients, Mr. and Mrs. Welch have advised me of a zoning hearing for property located near their home on Hilmer/Mace Avenue area. It is uncertain of the time, and we have no idea of the case number. The property in question is located as stated, in the Hilmer/Mace Avenue area of Baltimore County, and there is a matter currently pending before the CRG pertaining to surrounding property.

It is requested that a time be supplied as to when this hearing is scheduled. If you care to discuss this matter, or if we may be of any assistance please feel free to contact my office.

I look forward to your advising the time of the hearing. Very truly yours,

Stuart Jay Robinson.

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 494-3353

J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner

NOTICE OF HEARING

JAN 1 0 1988



The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland as follows:

Petition for Zoning Variance CASE NUMBER: 89-304-A N&S Sides Hilmer Avenue, 380' E Mace Avenue Lots #1,5 & 13 Hilmer Road (Silver Spring Terrance) 15th Election District - 5th Councilmanic Petitioner(s): Lenco Development Co., Inc. HEARING SCHEDULED: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1989 at 2:00 p.m.

Variance for a sideyard of 8 feet in lieu of the required 35 feet on Lots 1 and 5 of Block A and Lot 13 of Block B.

In the event that this Petition is granted, a building permit may be issued within the thirty (30) day appeal period. The Zoning Commissioner will, however, entertain any request for a stay of the issuance of said permit during this period for good cause shown. Such request must be in writing and received in this office by the date of the hearing set above or presented at the hearing. Polit Hairea

J. ROBERT HAINES Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County cc: John B. Gontrum, Esq. Lenco Development Co., Inc.

Regarding moving this case to 10:00 a.m., spoke with Mr. Gontrum's office, and Mr. Robinson's office.

Also, Mrs. Welch happened to call later in the day, requesting that we procure a copy of the Board of Appeal file relative to the CRG Appeal hearing. I transferred her call to the Board and let her know that the hearing had been moved to 10:00 a.m.

Stuart Jay Robinson 24 E. PENNSYLVANIA AVE

BEL AIR, MARYLAND 21014 STUART JAY ROBINSON ALSO MEMBER OF

RESIDENCE: (301) 836-1034

Baltimore County Zoning Office Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Zoning Matter Hearing Feb. 3, 1989

Janaury 25, 1989

(301) 879-5050

Dear Director,

Please be advised this office represents Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Welch  $\overline{VV}$  - 462 in a matter before the CRG. That case number is CBA-88-130, Silver Spring  $\overline{VV}$  - 462Terrace.

I have been advised there is a hearing scheduled for property located near Mr. and Mrs. Welch in the Hilmer/Mace Avenue area which pertains to the same development, Silver Spring Terrace. We have been unable to ascertain a time for that hearing.

At this time, it is requested that the opposition expressed by my clients before the CRG be given consideration in the February 3, 1989, hearing. Further, it is requested that your office obtain from the CRG a copy of that complete file and exhibits and have them available for the scheduled hearing.

If you have any questions or care to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me. Very truly yours,

Stuat, Stuart Jay Robinson

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Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 494-3353

J. Robert Haines

Date: 1/3c/89

Lenco Development Co., Inc. 1665 Merritt Blvd. Baltimore, Maryland 21222

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Dennis F. Rasmussen

Petitioner(s): Lenco Development Co., Inc. HEARING SCHEDULED: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1989 at 2:00 p.m.

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that 89.86 is due for advertising and posting of the above-referenced property. All fees must be paid prior to the hearing. Do not remove the sign and post set(s) from the property from the time it is posted by this office until the day of the hearing itself.

THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN(S) AND POST(S) RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT BE ISSUED.

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PETITIONER'S EXHIBIT 2

BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF TOWNSON, ROOM 406
TOWSON, MARYLAND '21204
REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION - LOT OF RECORD OR PLAT APPLICANTS: PLEASE COMPLETE PARTS I AND II The state of the s I. General Information (complete for all requests): a. Name of development (section, etc.) and location with plat attached:
Hilmer Subdivision WPC 5-41 also recorded later as Silver Spring Terrace CHK:13-17 v

b. Lot Number(s) 1 thru 29

c. Owner(s) name Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints

d. Owner(s) address and phone number Suite 100 9100 Purdue Rd.

Indianapolis, Ind. 46268 e. Applicant's name (if other than owner) SPELLMAN, LARSON & ASSOCIATES

for Daniel Ackwith Bldg. & Dev. Co.

f., Applicant's address and phone number
Suite 107 Jefferson Bldg. Towson, Md. 21204 823-3535 g: Liber/folio 6157 - 481 h. Date recorded 4/3/80
i. Property number(s) 16-00-008178
j. Signature of GRAGENZEN applicant, date the trans 7. Joséph L. Larson II. Status of development (complete this part if verification of Plat is required): a. Number of lots owned? #6 thru 19 & 22 thru 29

Do these lots adjoin? Yes

If yes, list which ones adjoin #6 thru 19, #22 thru 29

b. Have building permits been issued? X yes If yes, Unavailable Building permit number(s) Issuance date Unavailable Expiration date <u>lots 1 thru 5 are occupied by existing dwlgs.</u>

C. Has construction of public or private improvements occurred? Public Works Agreement number Unavailable Type of improvement started or completed and percent completed (list each type separately). \*\* DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE \*\* III. VERIFICATION: Valid Lot of Record or Plat - this Lot of Record/Plat is valid until indefinitely. Lots 6+ 7 only

Invalid Lot of Record or Plat - this Lot of Record/Plat has lapsed as of 4/16/82 according to the provisions of Section 22-68 of the Development Regulations. Lots 8-17,22-28

Signature, litle, Date

the Achenson COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY FIFTH DISTRICT OFFICE 809 EASTERN BOULEVARD, ROOM 201 ESSEX, MARYLAND 21221 COUNCIL OFFIC TOWSON 494-3196 RMAN W. LAUENSTEIN DISTRICT OFFICE - ESSEX 391-6711 COUNCILMAN November 23, 1988 Mr. Andrew Oravetz 1105 Mace Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21221 Dear Andy: In furtherance of your visit to my District Office on the above date, I would like to reiterate my knowledge as a community resident, in particular, to the Hilmer driveway off Mace avenue. Years ago Mr. Hilmer worked for the Glenn L. Martin Company. He had one of the nicest homes in the Essex area, which I now understand is owned by Mr. & Mrs. Wellington Welch. I know that you and Marie purchased the land and built your home on part of the old Hilmer tract next to his private driveway. At that time you put in a separate driveway to your own property, along with posting your mailbox out on Mace Avenue. I know that Mr. Hilmer and you took great pride in the line of trees dividing the properties and all or most of the original trees are still standing. Over the years my District Office would receive phone calls inquiring as to paving and snow removal for the side roads alor" Mace Avenue; and as I recall, Hilmer Avenue being private, it prevented the mailman and County snow removal equipment from entering for the property in the rear of the Welsh home. From all appearance it appears that the Hilmer driveway remained a private road, as it would seem the land to the rear, even though it was plated years ago, it is now default because of the lack of use of the land on the plat. As stated, I cannot appear on your behalf before any County agency, but please let me know if there is any way I can help.

EXHIBIT\_1

RICHAEL J. COLLINS 6TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT BALTIMORE COUNTY MEMBER ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DISTRICT OFFICE 418 EASTERN BOULEVARD BALTIMORE MARYLAND 21221 PHONE 391.7800 CAPITAL OFFICE 211 JAMES BUILDING ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991 PHONE 841-3642

SENATE OF MARYLAND ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

November 25, 1988

Mr. William F. Hackett, Chairman Baltimore County Board of Appeals Baltimore, MD 21204

Dear Mr. Hackett:

re: Hilmer Avenue - Silver Spring Terrace Development 15 E. District - CRG Case #CBA-88-130

We have been contacted by constituents who reside at 1105, 1107, and 1109 Mace Avenue. They are extremely concerned about the proposed use of Hilmer Avenue as a right-of-way for the referenced development and have filed an appeal of this decision, which is scheduled to be heard on December 13. Their homes are located adjacent to Hilmer Avenue.

We recently met with the constituents and conducted an on-site inspection of the area. We find that we wholeheartedly agree with the position of the property owners that it would be inappropriate to use Hilmer Avenue for the proposed purpose. It is a small, privately maintained road that, at the present time, serves as a driveway for the residents of 1107 and 1109. It is located directly across from Eastern Vocational Technical High School and the resulting traffic flow and vehicle parking make Hilmer Avenue inaccessible to emergency vehicles, which are unable to negotiate turns from Mace Avenue. In addition, by the developer's own estimate, approximately 200 vehicles can be expected to use this right-of-way every day, and this influx would destroy the quality of life for the residents of these properties on Mace Avenue.

We understand that the decision to use Hilmer Avenue is the result of a study of a plat of the area, rather than a physical inspection. It is, therefore, understandable that this conclusion was reached. However, we strongly urge that an on-site inspection be made. We feel that when this is accomplished it is likely that an alternative right-of-way will be sought. There are two viable alternatives, Christian Avenue and Alpine Drive, either one of which would appear to be a more suitable choice.

# EXHIBIT 2

We will appreciate your taking this information into consideration in reaching your decision on this matter.



HOUSE OF DELEGATES Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1991

MICHAEL H. WEIR **STH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT** BALTIMORE COUNTY IVIRONMENTAL MATTERS COMMITTEE HOUSE CHARMAN CHAIRMAN SUB-COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OFFICE: 418 EASTERN SOULEVARD BALTIMORE MARYLAND 21221 PHONE: 391-7800 ANNAPOLIS PHONE 841-3384 HOME ADDRESS: 1707-B CAPE MAY ROAD ESSEX, MAPYLAND 21221

December 11, 1988

Mr. William Hackett Chairman Baltimore County Board of Appeals

Dear Bill:

My concern about the proposed development CRG-CBA 88-1130 (Silver Spring Terrace) was supposed to have been mutually expressed in a letter from Senator Michael Collins and Delegates Connelly and Maddox.

Unfortunately, I was out of the State at that time.

The circumstances I have had the opportunity to review regarding this proposal certainly leave many unanswered questions and raise the possibility of whether or not Legislation might possibly be needed.

Knowing that your Board will be reviewing all of the facts regarding this matter fairly and then acting within the scope of your authority I can only wait until that decision. Sincerely yours,

Towson, Maryland 21204 Re: Case # 89-304-A

Resson: As of tedays date the appeal Board has not ruled on Case CBA-88-130 in which an appeal was heard December 13, 1988. Any additional changes

Auling.
Who and Mrs. Wellington Welch of 1109 Mace Gav.
Baltenine, M. d. 21221 and acting as our emissaires

PROTESTANT'S Respectfully submit EXHIBIT 4 MAREE F. CRAVETZ

1105 MACE AVE BALTIMORE, MD. 2/241 (301) 689-0757







County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 7th day of December , 1988.

Date February 2, 1989

Petitioner Lenco Devalogrant Co., Inc. Received by: Chairman, Zoning Plans Petitioner's Attorney John B. Gentrum Advisory Committee

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

J. Robert Haines TO Zoning Commissioner

Pat Keller, Deputy Director FROM Office of Planning and Zoning Lenco Development SUBJECT Zoning Petition No. 89-304-A

The applicant is requesting variances to reduce side yard setbacks adjacent to tract boundaries to allow for the development of three lots.

The property has received CRG approval on 7/22/88. Concerns over the need for variances was discussed at the CRG. There was community concern about this project regarding access of Hilmer Road between

The variances have not been granted due to wetlands, or the orientation of surrounding property. The need for variances is solely a result of the applicant attempting to maximize density. During the CRG, staff expressed the need to mitigate possible impacts from the development on adjoining property. Staff worked closely with the developer on this project.

Based upon the analysis conducted, staff recommends approval of the applicant's

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LAW FIRM Romadka, Gontrum & Hennegan IRVINGTON FEDERAL BUILDING

809 EASTERN BOULEVARD ESSEX, MARYLAND 21221 TELEPHONE (301) 686-8274 FAX # 686-0118

April 10, 1989

J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner Baltimore County Office of Planning and Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Case No. 89-304-A Dear Commissioner Haines:

Please note our opposition to the request for reconsideration and clarification filed by Stuart Robinson, Esquire in the above referenced matter. A review of the request for reconsideration does not address any of the issues before the Zoning Commissioner and the variance hearing. As this was purely a variance hearing and not a hearing relating to the road. I cannot understand how access and road development has anything to do with the variances which petitioner requested. Accordingly, we would ask that you deny the request for reconsideration and clarification as 'nere are no issues raised in it germane to the variance request. We do not see any need for a hearing with respect to this matter as it only serves to unduly delay the process. Protestants can always note an appeal if they disagree with the opinion. In addition, furthermore, I cannot understand what clarification the opinion which was issued in this case could need. Thank you for your consideration.

> Very truly yours, John B. Gontrum

cc: Stuart Robinson, Esquire Michael Zullo

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING PLANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 25, 1989

COUNTY OFFICE BLDG. 111 W. Chesapeake Ave. Towson, Maryland 21204

John B. Gontrum, Esquire 809 Eastern Boulevard Baltimore, Maryland 21221

MEMBERS Bureau of Engineering Department of

Bureau of Realth Department Project Planning Building Department Board of Education Zoning Administration

LEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Traffic Engineering

RE: Item No. 204, Case No. 89-304-A Petitioner: Lenco Development Co., Inc. Petition for Zoning Variance

Dear Mr. Gontrum:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have a bearing on this case. Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suitability of the requested

Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Committee at this time that offer or request information on your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly.

Very truly yours,

JAMES E. DYER Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

JED:dt Enclosures

cc: Bafitis & Associates 1249 Engleberth Road Baltimore, Maryland 21221

Baltimore County Department of Public Works Bureau of Traffic Eng. eering Courts Building, Suite 405 Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 827-3554

January 17, 1989

Dennis F. Rasmussen

Zoning Commissioner County Office Building

Mr. J. Robert Haines

Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Mr. Haines:

The Bureau of Traffic Engineering has no comments for item numbers 174, 192, 202, 204, 206, 208, 211, 212, 213, and 214.

Traffic Engineer Associate

MSF/lvw

Baltimore County Fire Department Towson. Maryland 21204-2586 494-4500

Paul H. Reincke December 29, 1968

J. Robert Haines, Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Baltimore County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Property Owner: Lenco Development Co., Inc.

Dennis F. Rasmussen Location: N&S sides of Hilmer Avenue, 380' E. Mace Avenue lots 1, 5, & 13 Hilmer Road, "Silver Spring Terrace" Zoning Agenda: Meeting of 12/6/88 Item No.: 204

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below marked with an "X" are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

( ) 1. Fire hydrants for the referenced property are required and shall be located at intervals or \_\_\_\_ feet along an approved road in accordance with Baltimore County Standards as published by the Department of Public Works.

( ) 2. A second means of vehicle access is required for the site.

( ) 3. The vehicle dead end condition shown at EXCEEDS the maximum allowed by the Fire Department.

( ) 4. The site shall be made to comply with all applicable parts of the Fire Prevention Code prior to occupancy or beginning of operation.

(x) 5. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site shall comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 101 "Life Safety Code," 1976 edition prior to occupancy.

( ) 6. Site plans are approved, as drawn.

( ) 7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time.

NOTED & PEVIEWER: Catt Joseph Kelly 19 3948 APPROVED:

Planning Group

Special Inspection Division Fire Prevention Bureau

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PROTESTANT(S) SIGN-IN SHEET

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY PETITIONER(S) SIGN-IN SHEET 3231 Canterbury Lone Fallation, Md When BAFITIS PE 1749 ENCLESCETH Red. Sing lid March 8, 1989 122.3 9 1989

Mr. James Robert Haines County Coning Commissioner County Office Building ZONERS CHROE 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Case No. 89-304-A Hearing 2/27/89 - 10:00 A.M. Room 106 Subject - Variances for 8 ft. setback on Lots #1 & 5 of Block A and Lot #13 of Block B, Silver Spring Terrace

Dear Mr. Haines:

I have been informed that at the above Zoning Hearing, Mr. Mike Zullo testified that I am in complete accord with Lenco Developement Co.'s proposal to allow the requested Lenco Developement Co.'s proposal to allow the requested variances. He stated that I was pleased and receptive to these variances and to the entire development project. This is not the truth of the matter. I want to clarify my position.

I was approached by Mr. Zullo on this matter when he first proposed this project. At this time, I did not object, but after examining the Plat he submitted, and giving further consideration of all aspects of this proposal, I changed my position.

Mr. Zullo contacted me, and also my son, a few days prior to the scheduled hearing. He asked my son if I would sign an approval for his requests. My son told him no, I would not. I was undecided about the entire project, but the more I thought about the impact of all this, the more convinced I became that this project would be undesirable, and I would not agree to these variances.

These lots, #1 & 5 of Block A, and lot #13 of Block B, torder on, and are adjacent to, my property, and I feel a setback would detract from the value of my property and to the quality of my neighborhood. These variances would only serve to allow additional units to be erected which is not in the best interests of the neighborhood.

I hope you will consider our position when you are making your decision.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted, mr. Gertrude Scharmer Mrs. Gertrude Scharmer 619 Christian Avenue Baltimore, Md. 21221 (301) 682-2444



County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM 315 111 W. CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 (301) 887-3180

July 12, 1989

Mrs. Gertrude Scharmer 619 Christian Avenue Baltimore, MD 21221

RE: Case No. 89-304-A Lenco Development Co., Inc.

Dear Mrs. Scharmer:

Enclosed is a copy of the Board's Ruling on the Motion to Dismiss filed in the subject case issued this date.

John Durantammer Kathleen C. Weidenhammer Administrative Secretary

Encl.

cc: Mr. James H. Coleman John B. Gontrum, Esquire Lenco Development Co., Inc. Mr. Michael Zullo Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Oravetz Mr. William F. Bafitis Mr. Wellington H. Welch Stuart Jay Robinson, Esquire P. David Fields Pat Keller J. Robert Haines Ann M. Nastarowicz James E. Dyer Docket Clerk -Zoning

Arnold Jablon, County Attorney

IN THE MATTER OF SILVER SPRING TERRACE

\* BEFORE THE \* COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY HILMER AVENUE \* Case No. CBA-88-130

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* MOTION TO DISMISS

Leonard M. Zullo, M.D., P.A., Defined Benefits Pension Plan and Lenco Development Company, Petitioners, by its attorneys, John B. Gontrum and Romadka, Gontrum & Hennegan, moves the Baltimore County Board of Appeals to dismiss the above captioned matter and in support of this states: 1. Petition was not filed within the time allowed by Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, Section 500.10.

2. Petition was not filed within the time granted and approved by the zoning commissioner in this case per his Order of March 16, 1989 as it was filed more than thirty (30) days from the order.

3. That James H. Coleman was not a party to the proceeding before the zoning commissioner, and has no interest particular to him of any interest in the property. He does not own property in Baltimore County and is a resident of Howard County.

4. That the zoning regulations state that an appeal must be filed by the individual or by their attorney, and James H. Coleman is not qualified to file an appeal for another individual.

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5. Gertrude Scharmer who is not a party to the original case and has technically never filed an appeal in this case.

6. That James H. Coleman does not own property in the vicinity and has no direct interest in the property has he is not a current owner of any neighboring property and therefore has no interest particular to him as opposed to any other resident of Baltimore County.

7. That the Order of Appeal was not signed by the original party or by an attorney.

8. That the Board of Appeals lacks jurisdiction over this matter as a result of failure to file the petition for appeal timely and as a result of appellants failure to allege either grounds for appeal or facts which would make him

WHEREFORE, the Movant respectfully requests that the Board of Appeals grant the Motion to Dismiss.

John B. Gontrum Romadka, Gontrum & Hennegan 809 Eastern Boulevard Baltimore, Maryland 21221 686-8274

LAW FIRM ROMADKA, GONTRUM & HENNEGAN ESSEX, MARYLAND CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1989, a copy of the foregoing was mailed to James H. Coleman, P.O. Box 315, Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 and Gertrude Scharmer, 619 Christian Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21221.

REQUEST FOR HEARING

Please set the above matter in for a motion hearing.

HEARING ROOM - Room 301

County Office Building

County Board of Appeals of Baltimore County

COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING 111 W. CHESAPEAKE AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

MOTION ONLY HEARING (301) 494-3180

May 19, 1989 NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

NO POSTPONEMENTS WILL BE GRANTED WITHOUT GOOD AND SUFFICIENT REASONS. REQUESTS FOR POSTPONEMENTS MUST BE IN WRITING AND IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD RULE 2(b). NO POSTPONEMENTS WILL BE GRANTED WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS OF SCHEDULED HEARING DATE UNLESS IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 2(c), COUNTY COUNCIL BILL NO. 59-79.

CASE NO. 89-304-A

LENCO DEVELOPMENT CO., INC. NE/sides Hilmer Avenue, 380' E Mace Avenue Lots 1, 5, 13 Hilmer Avenue (Silver Spring Terrace) 15th Election District 5th Councilmanic District

VAR -side yard setback of 8' in lieu of req. 35' 3/16/89 -Z.C.'s Order that Petition for Variance is GRANTED. Upon receipt of a Motion to Dismiss filed by Counsel for Petitioner, this case

Counsel for Appellee /Petitioner

Appellant /Protestant

TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 1989 at 9:00 a.m.

has been set in for a MOTION ONLY HEARING on June 6, 1989. There will be no

cc: John B. Gontrum, Esquire Mr. Michael Zullo

Mr. & Mrs. Wellington H. Welch

Arnold Jablon, County Attorney

Appellee /Petitioner

Leonard M. Zullo, M.D. Lenco Development Co., Inc.

Stuart Jay Robinson, Esquire Counsel for Wellington H. Welch, et ux

testimony or evidence received on June 6 on the merits of the case.

Ms. Gertrude Scharmer Mr. William F. Bafitis

Mr. Joseph Scharmer

Mr. James H. Coleman P. David Fields Pat Keller

J. Robert Haines Ann M. Nastarowicz James E. Dyer Docket Clerk -Zoning

Administrative Secretary

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Robert Haines

LAW FIRM

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GONTRUM & HENNEGAN

ESSEX, MARYLAND

April 27, 1989

Baltimore County Board of Appeals Dennis F. Rasmussen
County Executive County Office Building, Room 315 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Petition for Zoning Variance N/E sides Hilmer Avenue, 380' E Mace Avenue, Lots 1, 5, 13 Hilmer Aveneue (Silver Spring Terrace) 15th Election District, 5th Councilmanic District LENCO DEVELOPMENT CO., INC. - Petitioner Case No. 89-304-A

Dear Board:

Please be advised that an appeal of the above-referenced case was filed in this office on April 18, 1989 by James H. Coleman. All materials relative to the case are being forwarded herewith.

Please notify all parties to the case of the date and time of the appeal hearing when it has been scheduled. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Zoning Commissioner

Enclosures

cc: Michael Zullo, 3231 Canterbury Lane, Fallston, Md. 21047 John B Gontrum, 809 Eastern Boulevard, Essex, Md. 21221 William F. Bafitis, 1249 Engleberth Road, Baltimore, Md. 21221 Wellington H. Welch, 1109 Mace Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21221 Joseph Scharmer, 703 Christian Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21221 Gertrude Scharmer, 619 Christian Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 21221 People's Counsel, Rm. 304, County Office Bldg., Towson, Md. 21204

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 (301) 887-3353 J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner

Towson, Maryland 21204



Baltimore County Board of Appeals County Office Building, Room 315

RE: Petition for Zoning Variance N/E sides Hilmer Avenue, 380' E Mace Avenue, Lots 1, 5, 13 Hilmer Aveneue (Silver Spring Terrace) 15th Election District, 5th Councilmanic District LENCO DEVELOPMENT CO., INC. - Petitioner Case No. 89-304-A

Dear Board:

Please be advised that the correct deadline date for filing an appeal in this matter would have been on or about April 17, 1989. However, it has been brought to my attention that the Protestant, James H. Coleman was incorrectly quoted a deadline date as being the date the request envelope is post-marked by the Post Office. As the envelope in which the appeal request was enclosed was post-marked April 17, 1989, we accepted his appeal in error.

If you have any further questions on the subject, please do not hesitate to contact me.

> Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

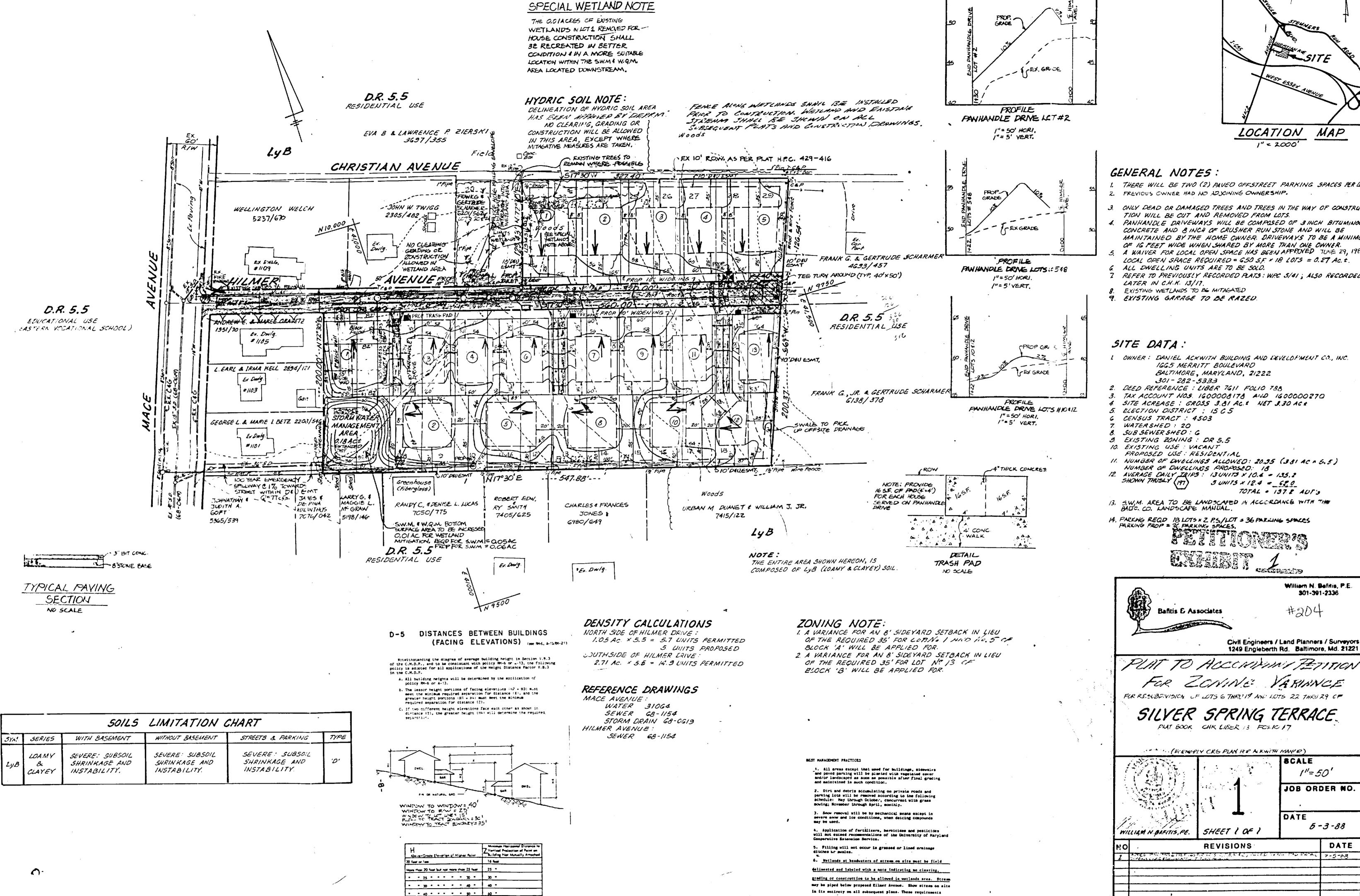
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cc: People's Counsel

Case File 89-304-A

ROMADKA, GONTRUM & HENNEGAN ESSEX. MARYLAND

April 26, 1989



1. THERE WILL BE TWO (2) PAVED OFFSTREET PARKING SPACES PER LOT.

ONLY DEAD OR DAMAGED TREES AND TREES IN THE WAY OF CONSTRUC-PANHANDLE DRIVEWAYS WILL BE COMPOSED OF 3 INCH BITUMINOUS CONCRETE AND 8 INCH OF CRUSHER RUN STONE AND WILL BE MAINTAINED BY THE HOME OWNER. DRIVEWAYS TO BE A MINIMUM

OF IG FEET WIDE WHEN SHARED BY MORE THAN ONE OWNER. A WAIVER FOR LOCAL OPEN SPACE HAS BEEN APPROVED TUNE 29, 1988 LOCAL OPEN SRACE REQUIRED = 650 S.F. x 18 LOTS = 0.27 Ac. t.

7 REFER TO PREVIOUSLY RECORDED PLATS: WRC 5/41; ALSO RECORDED

I OWNER: DANIEL ACKWITH BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT CO., INC.

3. TAX ACCOUNT NOS. 1600008178 AND 1600000270

5 UNITS x 12.4 = 68.0

#204

Civil Engineers / Land Planners / Surveyors 1249 Engleberth Rd. Baltimore, Md. 21221

FOR ZONINE VARIANCE

SILVER SPRING TERRACE.

DATE 5-3-88

1"=50"

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### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

## INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: June 18, 1991 Mr. Wirth / SWM TO: Mr. Powell / EIRD Mr. Pilson / W&S Mr. Flowers / CBCA Mr. Fisher / Planning Mr. Richards / Zoning Mr. Bowling / DED (2) Mr. Famili / Traffic Mr. Weiss / Sanitation Mr. Beaumont / Land Acq. Ms. Lutz / House Nos. Capt. Kelly / Fire Dept. Er. Kincer / Rec.&Parks Mr. Brocato / SHA Mr., Butcher / C&P Mr. Keller / OPZ Deputy Director (FYI) Susan Wimbley FROM: Bureau of Public Services SUBJECT: District: 15C5 To 18/91 ucr Project Name: Silver pring Terrace Project No.: 87322 Engineer : Bafitis Phone No.: 391-2336 ACTION REQUESTED: CRG Plan Review (Meeting Waived) : CRG Plan Refinement Review CRG Non-Material Amendment Review : CRG Plan Approval Extension Review:xx Panhandle Minor CRG Plan Review Minor Subdivision Review Pre-Approved Building Permits: Please provide separate comments for Building Permits. NOTE: Please detail any comments where permit cannot be approved, but subdivision approval is acceptable. Please review the attached plan for compliance with current regulations and return comments to our office by 7-9-91. If you have no comments or do not need to review this plan, please indicate by placing your initials here \_\_\_\_.

Thank you for your attention to our request.

SILVER SPRING TERRACE #XV-462 Old #87322

CRG Extension
Plan Date: 7/5/88
Comments For: 7/9/91
Comments Date: 6/25/91
Comments Completed: 6/26/91

Update the plan. Provide a zoning history by case number on the plan including the date of the last Order, what was requested, granted or denied and listing and indicating compliance with any restrictions including, but not necessarily limited to, case number 89-304-A.

Tract boundary notes and bounds must be shown for the entire tract.

Any requests for further information from the Zoning Office must include a reference to the CRG Plan Approval Extension Review and written correspondence or revised plans must be accompanied by a copy of these comments.

JOHN L. LEWIS PLANNER II

JLL:scj

cc: Current Planning
Zoning File - #89-304-A
Waiver File

SDW:sdw cc: File